

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

1.-46. (Cancelled)

47. (Previously Presented) A reproduction apparatus comprising:

an acquire unit operable to acquire, from a recording medium, a graphics stream including a data packet and a control packet,

5 the data packet including graphics data and a decode time stamp and a first presentation time stamp, the decode time stamp indicating a start time of a process for decoding of the graphics data, the first presentation time stamp indicating an end time of the process,

the control packet including a second presentation time stamp indicating a presentation time which is at or after the end time;

a processor operable to

10 (i) start a process for decoding the graphics data at the start time, and  
(ii) end the process by the end time; and

a controller operable to write the decoded graphics data in a graphics plane by the presentation time, the graphics plane being an area where the graphics data is rendered.

48. (Previously Presented) A reproduction method reproduced by a reproduction apparatus including a processor and a controller, the reproduction method comprising:

acquiring, from a recording medium, a graphics stream including a data packet and a control packet,

5 the data packet including graphics data and a decode time stamp and a first presentation time stamp, the decode time stamp indicating a start time of a process for decoding of the graphics data, the first presentation time stamp indicating an end time of the process,

the control packet including a second presentation time stamp indicating a presentation time which is at or after the end time;

10 starting a process, performed by the processor, for decoding the graphics data at the start time;

ending the process by the end time, and

writing, performed by the controller, the decoded graphics data in a graphics plane by the presentation time, the graphics plane being an area where the graphics data is 15 rendered.

49. (Previously Presented) A recording medium having recorded thereon a graphics stream, the graphics stream being reproduced by a reproduction apparatus including a processor and a controller, wherein

the graphics stream includes a data packet and a control packet, and

5 the data packet includes graphics data and a decode time stamp and a first presentation time stamp, and

the decode time stamp indicates a start time of a process, performed by the processor, for decoding of the graphics data, and

10 the first presentation time stamp indicates an end time of the process, and the control packet includes a second presentation time stamp, and

the second presentation time stamp indicates a presentation time which is at or after the end time of the process, and an end time of writing, performed by the controller, the decoded graphics data in a graphics plane, the graphics plane being an area where the graphics data is rendered.

50. (Previously Presented) A recording apparatus for recording a graphics stream on a recording medium, the graphics stream being reproduced, by a reproduction apparatus including a processor and a controller, wherein

the graphics stream includes a data packet and a control packet, and

5 the data packet includes graphics data and a decode time stamp and a first presentation time stamp, and

the decode time stamp indicates a start time of a process, performed by the processor, for decoding of the graphics data, and

10 the first presentation time stamp indicates an end time of the process, and the control packet includes a second presentation time stamp, and

the second presentation time stamp indicates a presentation time which is at or after the end time of the process, and an end time of writing, performed by the controller, the decoded graphics data in a graphics plane, the graphics plane being an area where the graphics data is rendered.

51. (Currently Amended) A recording method for recording a graphics stream on a recording medium, the graphics stream being, reproduced by a reproduction apparatus including a processor and a controller, wherein the recording method comprising:

a step of generating the graphics stream;

5                   a step of multiplexing a video stream with the graphics stream; and  
                  a step of acquiring the recording medium having recorded thereon a digital stream  
                  that is obtained by the multiplexing, wherein  
                  the graphics stream includes a data packet and a control packet, and  
                  the data packet includes graphics data and a decode time stamp and a first  
10            presentation time stamp, and  
                  the decode time stamp indicates a start time of a process, performed by the  
processor, for decoding of the graphics data, and  
                  the first presentation time stamp indicates an end time of the process, and the  
control packet includes a second presentation time stamp, and  
15            the second presentation time stamp indicates a presentation time which is at or  
after the end time of the process, and an end time of writing, performed by the controller, the  
decoded graphics data in a graphics plane, the graphics plane being an area where the graphics  
data is rendered.